## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Perhaps the most fruitful committee assignment which the Archivist has had in the Society of American Archivists was the chairmanship of the Advisory Committee on the Study of State Archival Programs. By the end of the fiscal year, the field work had been completed by the Director, Dr. Ernst Posner, and the manuscript was within a few months of completion. It was a rather strenuous task for all concerned but the study will be invaluable to all State Archivists. The Archivist served also as Chairman of the Nominating Committee in a year made difficult because of the necessity for implementing changes in the Society's constitution. In the absence of the chairman the Archivist delivered the report of the Waldo Gifford Leland Award Committee at the General Meeting of the Society held at Raleigh. He also served as a member of the Advisory Board of the AMERICAN ARCHIVIST and as a member of the Committee for Professional Standards and Training.

The Archivist was reelected a Trustee for a five-year term of the Maryland Historical Trust and he was appointed by Governor Tawes a member of the Maryland Commission for the New York World's Fair. He continued his work with the fellowship advisory committee of Historica Annapolis, Inc. and the Historical Seminar of the Maryland Historical Society.

Mr. Skordas was elected October 1, 1962 to the Council of the S.A.A. He will serve for four years. He was chairman of the Program Committee for the 26th annual meeting of the Society held at Rochester, September 30-October 2, 1962, and he also served as a member of the State and Local Records Committee. Mr. Skordas and Mr. Beach attended the annual meeting at Rochester. Mr. Beach was reappointed a member of the Records Management Committee. Just prior to this meeting Mr. Beach and Mr. Skordas attended a day-long session of university Archivists held at Cornell University. Mr. Beach attended the annual meeting of the Registers of Wills of Maryland held at Ocean City July 13-14, 1962 and a special meeting of the Clerks of Court Association at the Emerson Hotel in Baltimore, May 28, 1963, at which indexing for the Uniform Commercial Code was discussed.

Mr. White continued to serve on the State Coordinating Curriculum Committee of the State Department of Education. One meeting was held, December 19, 1962, in Baltimore.